

III. REMARKS

1. Claims 2-21, previously withdrawn in accordance with the Restriction Requirement of 11 February 2004 are reintroduced as claims 29-48, respectively.

2. This amendment is necessary because claims 1 and 28 were found to be generic in the Restriction Requirement of 11 February 2004 and were subsequently allowed in the Notice of Allowance dated 5 October 2004. Upon allowance of a generic claim, Applicant is entitled to consideration of claims to additional species which are written in dependent form or otherwise include all the limitations of an allowed claim as provided by 37 CFR 1.141.

3. The proposed new claims require no additional search or examination because they depend from and include all the limitations of an allowed generic claim.


4. Claims 29-48 are patentable because none of the prior art references, either alone or in combination, disclose a frame construction, defined in claim 1 as a mechanical entity separate from the printed circuit board, keypad, display, and reader for a detachable memory module and outer cover parts, such that the at least two parts of the outer cover are mechanically attached to opposite sides of the frame construction. Claims 29-48 include all the limitations of claim 1 by their dependency, and therefore are patentable.

5. Claims 29-48 were not presented previously because until the Notice of Allowance dated 5 October 2004, no generic claim was allowed.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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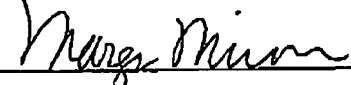

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